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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJ: NEW GOI AMBASSADORS APPOINTED

1. ANNOUNCEMENT HAS BEEN MADE OF THE APPOINTMENT OF MAJOR GENERAL ALI MOTAZED AS GOI AMBASSADOR TO SYRIA. UNTIL RECENTLY MOTAZED WAS DEPUTY CHIEF OF SAVAK, A POST HE ASSUMED IN 1973. HE WAS BORN IN 1916 IN ISFAHAN AND IS A 1937 GRADUATE OF MILITARY COLLEGE TEHRAN. EARLY IN HIS CAREER HE HAD A NUMBER OF ARTILLERY ASSIGNMENTS AND PARTICIPATED IN US TRAINING PROGRAMS AT FT. SILL (1953) AND FT. LEAVENWORTH (1956). HE TRANSFERRED TO SAVAK IN EARLY 1960'S BECOMING CHIEF, COUNTER INTELLIGENCE, SAVAK IN 1966. MOTAZED IS CONSIDERED WESTERN ORIENTED AND PRO-U.S. IN OUTLOOK, HIGHLY INTELLIGENT, EFFICIENT, WITH A SENSE OF HUMOR AND EXCELLENT CONVERSATIONALIST. HE SPEAKS FRENCH AND ENGLISH AND IS MARRIED WITH THREE CHILDREN. MOTAZED IS THE SECOND SAVAK OFFICIAL TO RECEIVE AN AMBASSADORIAL POST DURING THE PAST MONTH. HIS FORMER CHIEF, GENERAL NASSIRI, IS NOW GOI AMBASSADOR TO PAKISTAN.

2. HASHEM HAKIMI, A CAREER DIPLOMAT, HAS BEEN APPOINTED AMBASSADOR TO SUDAN. HAKIMI, 52, REPORTEDLY HAS A DIPLOMA FROM THE SCHOOL OF MODERN PHOTOGRAPHY, NEW JERSEY. HE HAS SERVED AT MFA SINCE 1951 IN VARIOUS BUREAUS INCLUDING
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INFORMATION; SUBCONTINENT; ARAB STATES AND ISRAEL: INFORMATION AND PRESS; PASSPORT AND VISAS AND CULTURAL RELATIONS AND STUDENTS. ABROAD HE HAS SERVED AT KARACHI, CALCUTTA, NEW DELHI, BELGRADE, BAGHDAD, ROME AND OSLO. HIS MOST RECENT POSITION WAS CHIEF OF THE DEPARTMENT FOR INFORMATION AND PRESS AFFAIRS. HE SPEAKS ENGLISH AND FRENCH.

3. ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WHICH BECOMES AVAILABLE ON
THESE TWO AMBASSADORS DURING THEIR TOURS ABROAD WOULD BE
APPRECIATED.
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